

MINUTES 24-10
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING
May 13, 2024

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp, president, called the City of Madison Board of Education meeting to order at 5:02 PM in the board room at Madison City Schools Central Office. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, roll call was conducted of school board members.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of school board members recorded as follows:

Place No. 1	Mr. Tommy Overcash	Present
Place No. 2	Mr. Tim Holtcamp	Present
Place No. 3	Mrs. Alice Lessmann	Present
Place No. 4	Mr. Scott Newberry	Present
Place No. 5	Mr. Travis Cummings	Present

Also present were Dr. Ed Nichols, superintendent of Madison City Schools, Mr. Woody Sanderson, school board attorney, and Mrs. LaTisha King, recording secretary.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Holtcamp called for a motion to approve the May 13, 2024, school board meeting agenda. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the agenda. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

III. PRESENTATIONS

The Madison City School Parent Teacher Association president, Sarita Edwards, presented awards to schools and administrators. Dr. Kerry Donaldson, principal of James Clemens High School received the administrator of the Year Award. The following Madison City Schools received awards: Bob Jones (Golden Apple, Oak Tree, Early Bird, & Gold Leaf), James Clemens (Golden Apple, & Early Bird), Discovery Middle (Golden Apple & Early Bird), Journey Middle (Oak Tree, Early Bird, & Gold Leaf), Liberty Middle (Golden Apple & Early Bird), Columbia Elementary (Golden Apple& Early Bird), Heritage Elementary (Golden Apple & Early Bird), Horizon Elementary (Golden Apple & Early Bird), Madison Elementary (Golden Apple & Early Bird), Midtown Elementary (Golden Apple, Oak Tree, Early Bird, & Gold Leaf), Mill Creek Elementary (Early Bird) and Rainbow Elementary (Golden Apple, Early Bird, & Gold Leaf). Golden Apple: 100% membership of certified faculty; Oak Tree: 20% increase from the previous year's membership; Early Bird: 50% or more increase from the previous year's membership by October 1; and Gold Leaf Award: equaling or surpassing the previous year's membership. Additionally, representatives with the Alabama State Council of PTA's presented awards to student reflections winners (first – third place). They also honored reflections winners who won at the national level.

Greenpower teams from Mill Creek Elementary and Bob Jones High were honored during the school board meeting for their first-place win at the National Greenpower competition at the Talladega Motor Speedway. Both teams received a certificate of recognition from the Board and superintendent.

Mr. Shannon Brown, principal of Liberty Middle School, introduced coaches for the Liberty Middle School Boys Baseball teams (seventh & eighth grade teams). The teams won the 2024 Madison County Baseball Championship. Both teams received a certificate of recognition from the Board and superintendent.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public who addressed the school board members during this meeting.

V. ACTION ITEMS

The superintendent recommended approval of consent agenda item(s): (a) Minutes #24-09, May 2, 2024; (b) field trip requests for Madison City Schools; and (c) facility use agreements for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to act on the consent agenda items as a group. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to approve the consent agenda items.

Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval to dispose of a laminator located at the central office (It is 10 years old and not operable) Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the disposal of a laminator located at the Madison City Schools Central Office. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a list of supplemental contracts for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the supplemental contract list as a group. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the list of supplemental contracts.

Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of personnel actions. The Board agreed to approve the personnel actions as a group. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to approve the personnel actions. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Nichols announced the transfer of Mr. Nathan Holmes for a Math teacher at Liberty Middle School to an administrator in the Madison Aspiring Administrator Program (MAAP- Temporary) at Mill Creek Elementary School. Mr. Holmes thanked the Board and superintendent for the opportunity to serve the district in this capacity.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Nichols stated there have been several student signings (sports, career technical education, and other programs) across the school district. He then announced that Midtown theater students put on their production of the Jungle Book. Dr. Nichols also announced the Bob Jones High School Boys Baseball Team was headed to the Alabama State Finals. The baseball team will play Central-Phenix City, Alabama for the state baseball title. Dr. Nichols went on to say that Madison City Schools Teacher and Staff Members of the Year were announced last week. Next, he stated that Ms. Kristen Brown, teacher at Liberty Middle School, was selected as one of four teachers in the state of Alabama for Teacher of the Year. He then stated that various retirement celebrations were happening throughout the school district, senior honor nights, and graduation ceremonies for high school seniors would occur on Monday, May 20, 2024. Lastly, James Clemens High was named by the Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools (CLAS) as a Banner school for their Jet Press Program.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Tommy Overcash shared that he is amazed at the opportunities Madison City students have to be successful.

Mr. Scott Newberry thanked the Madison City Schools Parent Teacher Associations for work in the schools. He also congratulated Mr. Mr. Holmes on his new position as a MAAP at Mill Creek Elementary.

Mrs. Alice Lessmann stated Madison City students have so much opportunity. She also mentioned Madison City Schools have strong PTAs. Mrs. Lessmann stated she is looking forward the graduation. She congratulated Mr. Holmes on his new position as a MAAP in the school district. Mrs. Lessmann also congratulated the Greenpower teams for wining at the state level.

Mr. Travis Cummings stated he believes the success of schools is based on having strong PTAs. He also talked about the MAAP Program and how successful it has been in preparing potential administrators. Mr. Cummings then congratulated Greenpower teams on their successes.

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp stated he is looking forward to 2024 senior graduation on May 20, 2024. He also stated the Jet Press Program at James Clemens High has been spotlighted on the local news for their production of a movie. He also talked about the engineering program at Bob Jones High School. Lastly, Mr. Holtcamp thanked School Resource Officer Jason Wirtz for attending the school board meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tim Holtcamp announced the next school board meeting would be held on June 10, 2024 at 5:00 PM, to be preceded by a finance committee meeting at 4:00 PM. Mr. Holtcamp then called for a motion to adjourn the school board meeting. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to adjourn the school board meeting. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.



Mr. Tim Holtcamp, President



Dr. Edwin C. Nichols, Jr., Secretary



Mrs. LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary